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Letter dated 17 June 2004 from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the Security Council

You would recall that in my recent report to the Security Council on the Sudan (S/2004/453), I had mentioned the appointment of a Special Representative in the context of the ongoing Sudanese peace process.

Following the usual consultations, I am pleased to inform you of my intention to appoint Jan Pronk (Netherlands) as my Special Representative for the Sudan and head of the peace support operation, which may be authorized by the Security Council at the conclusion of the Comprehensive Peace Agreement between the Government of the Sudan and the Sudan People's Liberation Movement/Army (SPLM/A).

Mr. Pronk has had a distinguished career, both as a prominent European politician and as a senior United Nations official. He served as the Secretary-General's Special Envoy for the World Summit on Sustainable Development, held in Johannesburg in 2002. From 1980 to 1985, he was Deputy Secretary-General of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development and, from 1985 to 1986, Assistant Secretary-General of the United Nations. In his Government, he served three times as Minister for Development Cooperation.

I should be grateful if you would bring this matter to the attention of members of the Security Council.

(*Signed*) Kofi A. **Annan**

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